TRICKING THE LANDLORD'S WIFE

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After tricking the landlord a few times, the news spread among servants. They then all knew Uncle Ston pa. One day, the landlord's wife also heard this news. Unhappy to hear about her husband being humiliated, she was eager to take revenge. She put on her best robe and rode her best stallion to meet Uncle Ston pa, whom she found washing his dirty clothes by a village stream. As soon as she saw Uncle Ston pa, she yelled, "Hey, you! You have become famous by tricking my husband. Now trick me. Display your skills or I'll tell all my servants that you're a stupid, incapable man!"

Ston pa thought for a moment and replied, "Oh, my dear landlord. How can I trick you? I forgot my book of tricks at home. If you really want me to trick you, I must borrow your stallion to get my book of tricks first."

"Ha! You have a trick book?!" the landlord's wife laughed and then said, "Sure. Here's my stallion. I want to see you trick me today!"

Uncle Ston pa took the stallion and then said, "Also, my dear landlord! I need to borrow your nice robe or your stallion will sense I'm a stranger and won't let me ride him."

The landlord's wife took off her robe, threw it to Uncle Ston pa, and said, "Here you go. Be quick! I can't wait to see your book of tricks."

Uncle Ston pa put on the robe, jumped on the stallion, and galloped across the stream. When he got to the other side he yelled, "My dear landlord, see how I tricked you today!"

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